

Date: October 14, 2014

To: Nonprofit Community-Based Provider Organizations

Provider Trade Associations

From: Terry Edelstein, Governor's Nonprofit Liaison

Re: Updates from the Governor's Nonprofit Liaison

- Free Sessions on Healthcare Options for Nonprofit Organizations Start Next Week
- Department of Development Services Regulations Public Hearing 10/27/14
- FEMA Seeking Comments on Proposed Public Assistance Policy
- Governor's Cabinet on Nonprofit Health and Human Services Drafting Report
- Nonprofit Toolkit Resource Being Created—Send Suggestions

FREE SESSIONS ON HEALTHCARE OPTIONS FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS – SIGN UP NOW!

Presented by Governor Malloy's Nonprofit Liaison and Access Health CT, partnering with the Connecticut Insurance Department & the State of Connecticut Office of the Healthcare Advocate

The same sessions will be offered on four dates. Register ASAP to amy.tibor@ct.gov

Dates: Tuesday, October 21, 2014 room 1D Wednesday, October 22, 2014 room 1D Thursday, October 23, 2014 room 1D

Tuesday, October 28, 2014 room 2C

Time: 10:00 - 12:00

Location: State Legislative Office Building

See flyer on HEALTHCARE OPTIONS FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS (sent with this update) or request a copy from Amy Tibor at amy.tibor@ct.gov

DRAFT DDS REGULATIONS ISSUED

The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) has just opened a Public Comment Period on proposed, amended Licensing of Community Living Arrangements Regulations Sec. 17a-227-1 to 17a-227-12, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Licensing of Community Living Arrangements and proposed, amended Licensing of Community Companion Homes Regulations Sec. 17a-227-23 to 17a-227-30, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Licensing of Community Companion Homes. The deadline for comments on these two sets of regulations is November 14, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

There will be **two public hearings** held on **Monday, October 27, 2014** in **Room 1A of the Legislative Office Building** in Hartford. Please see the **Notice of Intent** for each of these sets of regulations for details of the public hearing and public comment process.

<u>DDS's Notice of Intent to Amend the Licensing of Community Living Arrangements</u> Regulations and Notice of Public Hearing

DDS's Notice of Intent to Amend the Licensing of Community Companion Homes
Regulations and Notice of Public Hearing

Email Rod O'Connor at <u>rod.oconnor@ct.gov</u> for **PDF** copies of both the **Licensing of Community Living Arrangements Regulations** and its **Notice of Intent** and the **Licensing of Community Companion Homes Regulations** and its **Notice of Intent**. Everything that is
[bracketed] is being taken out of the regulation and everything that is <u>underlined</u> is new language.

FEMA SEEKING COMMENTS ON ITS PROPOSED PUBLIC ASSISTANCE POLICY ON INSURANCE

Senator Blumenthal wanted you to be aware of the notification below from FEMA, which is seeking public comment regarding a policy being proposed by FEMA that would require those seeking public assistance from FEMA to carry insurance coverage equal to the amount of the FEMA assistance received. Please see below for further details. While the notice below indicates that public comment is being sought from insurance providers, there are no restrictions as far as who can submit comments on this proposal.



FEMA is seeking comments from insurance companies and associations on a proposed policy which requires applicants of its Public Assistance program to obtain and maintain insurance coverage equal to the assistance FEMA provided. Comments must be submitted through the

process outlined in the <u>Federal Register</u> notice and are due on December 8, 2014. You can also go to - http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=FEMA-2-14-0029.

Under Federal law, applicants who receive assistance under the Public Assistance program are required to obtain and maintain insurance coverage for the peril which caused the damage for at least the amount of funding FEMA provided. The proposed policy, among other things, clarifies that this requirement extends to both flood and non-flood events and can be satisfied through a variety of options including commercial insurance, blanket polices, insurance pools, self-insurance or a combination of these options.

The Public Assistance Program provides grants to state, territorial, local, and federally-recognized tribal governments and certain private non-profit entities to assist them with the response to and recovery from disasters. Specifically, the program provides assistance for debris removal, emergency protective measures, and permanent restoration of infrastructure such as roads and bridges, water control facilities, public buildings and contents, public utilities, and parks, recreational, and other facilities.

GOVERNOR'S CABINET ON NONPROFIT HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DRAFTING 2014 REPORT

The Governor's Cabinet on Nonprofit Health and Human Services is in the final stages of reviewing the recommendations from the Business Practice, Nonprofit Employment Data, and Contract Procurement & Administration work groups.

The Cabinet's October 30, 2014 meeting will be held in room 1B of the Legislative Office Building from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Members of the public are welcome to observe the meeting.

Visit the Cabinet website for more information and links to past meeting materials: http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2998&Q=490946

NONPROFIT TOOLKIT RESOURCE BEING CREATED

Brandon Cirillo, Public Policy Intern to the Governor's Nonprofit Liaison, is currently creating a "Nonprofit Toolkit" resource for nonprofit organizations in Connecticut for centralized information about bonding from various state agencies, uniform licensing, offerings from the Department of Administrative Services as well as from the Department of Economic and Community Development, and links to useful content pages such as the CT Open Data Portal.

If you have suggestions for topics you would like to see included, please contact him:

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MAILING LIST

To be included on the Nonprofit Liaison's mailing list, send an e-mail to Amy Tibor at Amy.Tibor@ct.gov or call Amy at (860) 418-6287.

- Nonprofit Liaison mailing list receive occasional alerts, news briefings and updates
- The Governor's Cabinet on Nonprofit Health and Human Services mailing list receive news about the work of the Cabinet including meeting announcements and materials

MEETING WITH YOU

I welcome the opportunity to meet with your associations and your boards of directors. You can contact me at <u>Terry.Edelstein@ct.gov</u> to arrange a visit.

CHECK THE NONPROFIT LIAISON'S WEBSITE FOR UP-TO-DATE INFO

Check for updates affecting nonprofit providers on the Nonprofit Liaison website: http://www.governor.ct.gov/malloy/cwp/view.asp?a=3997&q=512660

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